

KING WHEAT TAXES POOR MAN'S LOAF.

Bread to Cost a Penny
More if Boom Con-
tinues.

MAY COME THIS WEEK.

Greater New York Bakers
Say They Will Delay as
Long as Possible.

WHEAT AT \$1.30 THE LIMIT.

That Figure Will Mean \$6.50 a
Barrel for Flour, Then
the Advance.

ENORMOUS TOTAL INCREASE.

This City and Environs Alone the
Raise of One Cent a Loaf Will
Amount to \$20,000
a Day.

Twenty thousand dollars more per day
will Greater New York will have to
pay for its bread if the boom in wheat
continues for one week longer at its present
rate.

In all the general good feeling connected
with the great rise in wheat values, the
fact that a rise in wheat means a rise in
flour and that means a rise in the price of
bread has, in a measure, been lost sight of.

Many bakers of Greater New York soon
yesterday say that only a few days more
steady advance in wheat values will make
them raise the price of all loaves one cent.

This is not a great amount in itself, but
when it is remembered that more than
2,000,000 loaves of bread are used daily in
and around Manhattan Island, a little
figuring shows that at least \$20,000 per day
more will be spent for the "staff of life."

That sum entitles the prospective rise to
a large degree of respectful attention.
When it is remembered further that the
poor man's far the greatest users of bread
the situation apply meets the old adage
that "what one man's meat is another
man's poison."

Since last Monday, when cash wheat
was 15 cents, until yesterday night, when
it reached \$1.32, flour has advanced about
at the average rate of 10 cents per barrel,
closing the week with the top price of
\$5.50.

One month ago the best flour brought
only \$3.75, and the bakers can not much
longer sell their wares at the standard
price of six cents for a one and one-half
pound loaf.

Gilmer, Shultz, Fleischmann, Purcell,
Cushman and other leading bakers have
already agreed to wait until flour reaches
\$3.50 before adding on the extra cent.
But if the predictions of great wheat men
come true and wheat keeps bounding along
toward the \$1.50 mark, the end of the
week should see it at \$1.20 and the price
of flour at the \$5.50 limit.

When the retailer will have to raise his
price one cent in turn, which will make
the public pay seven cents for plain and
eight cents for Vienna loaves.

IN A MATRIMONIAL TANGLE

An Aged Minnesota Banker Finds It in
the House of His Foster
Relatives.

Rome, N. Y., Aug. 22.—Samuel J. John-
son, a wealthy resident and banker of Al-
bert Lea, Minn., came East last month to
visit his old home and friends near Rome,
and now wishes that he hadn't. Mr. John-
son, who is seventy-four years old, lost his
wife recently, and divided his large prop-
erty among his children, reserving a goodly
slice for himself in his old age.

Among relatives that he visited was
Squire Johnson, a farmer of the town of
Lea, who has an adopted daughter aged
eighteen. Her name is Maggie Kerr, and
he has just used the old gentleman for
each of promise, placing the damages at
\$10,000.

She asserts that after relating his affairs,
he proposed to her, and she accepting, told
him to get her wedding clothes ready at
her expense. He was in a great
hurry, so she proceeded to get her trousseau
ready. She declares that soon after the
engagement he made a proposition to her
one she could not accept, and that there-
upon he broke off the engagement and left
upon his next morning before any of the
the day were up. The young woman not
being brought the suit, but has caused
him to be served with an order of arrest,
and he is now obliged to give \$3,000 bond
on which defendant tells an entirely different
story.

He states that his nephew, Squire
Johnson, told him that he needed some one
to look after his affairs, and that he had
a son-in-law who was a very good man,
and that he would like to see him. He
thereupon went to see him, and found that
he was a very good man, and that he had
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MINNIE SEARLES WEDS.
Wife of Doctor Weard,
Was Formerly
Reputed Originator of the
"Knock-out" Drops.

N. Y., Aug. 22.—Minnie Searles,
according to the announcement in a
New York morning paper, was married to
Frank N. Searles, son of the restaurant keep-
er at Avenue and Thirty-third street,
where the famous "Knock-out" drops, which
attracted much attention, were
formerly the wife of Dr. Weard,
where druggist, who is credited
with the originator of the famous
drops. Minnie Searles was a
brunette, whose wonderful art
was never failed to captivate any
whom she came in contact. She
had been divorced from her
first husband, and was sent to
the penitentiary for a year.

She is not announcing the
wedding of her mother, who
was feared that if the
wedding was not held, it
might have her illness.

EVERY HUMOR
FROM PIMPLES TO SCROFULA
CURED BY CUTICURA REM-
EDIES.

What Bread May Cost.

The 3,000,000 population of
Greater New York uses 2,000,-
000 loaves of bread per day.

At the reigning retail price
of 7 cents for the one and
one-half pound standard loaf,
this means \$140,000 per day.

If the wheat boom con-
tinues, and \$1.30 for cash
wheat is reached this week,
the retail price for a loaf of
bread will go to 8 cents, or
\$180,000 per day.

If wheat goes to \$1.50 (the
figure set by Pillsbury et al),
the price will go to 9 cents,
and Greater New York's bread
will cost \$180,000 per day.

On the lines of this quaintly expressed
philosophy the new barn and cleared-off
mortgages of the Western farmer will be
largely offset in the general human scheme
by the added weight of the under-dog
contingent of the East.

Mr. W. T. Gilmer, of the great baking
firm of J. D. Gilmer & Co., whose quar-
ters are at No. 203 Greenwich street,
gave a clear and concise statement of the
condition of affairs in the trade yesterday.

"In the first place," said he, "we do not
see flour get its price up about \$5 per
barrel. Our statistics since 1896 show us
that the best business is done with flour at
between \$5 and \$6. We do not mean
quite so much on each loaf as when flour is
down to between \$3 and \$4, but we sell so
much more, collect so much more, and
quicker and better, and sell so much more
of the finer grades of bread and crackers
and pastry that we more than even up."

Hopes Flour Will Not Go Too High.
"I will be sorry, though, if flour gets up
to \$6.50 per barrel. That will force us
either to raise our price or cut down the
standard size loaf, and I am sure that no
one in the business, wholesaler or retailer,
would like to see this. Still, there
would be nothing else to do. With flour at
\$5 per barrel, we figure that bread costs
us turned out of the oven 2½ cents per
loaf. That makes 2½ cents for the
standard one and one-half-pound loaf, and
with the expenses of delivering, giving
credit and taking back unsold loaves, brings
our actual price per loaf up to nearly 3
cents. We sell to the grocers and other
retailers at 6 cents, a profit of only 1 cent,
and they sell at 7 cents. These figures can-
not be cut much and leave a living for
either manufacturer or dealer."

"You can see for yourself that on the
average of six cents per loaf, a loaf of
flour at \$6 would take 1½ cent per loaf
off our profits, and at \$6.50 would leave
us little that we might as well close up
and go."

"In good flour the 104 pounds in a
barrel makes 308 pounds of dough. With
the drying of 20 standard loaves per barrel,
four of 8 pounds of this is lost, leaving
about 200 1½-pound loaves. Unscrupulous
bakers can get from ten to thirty loaves
more than that is another story, and as
there are very few of them in the city it
is not worth while to tell it."

"As said at the start, I hope that
wheat won't go much higher. I know from
what retail trade we do down here that
one cent is often an important factor in
the daily marketing of the poor."

AGAINST FREE WHEAT.

Probability That the French Government
Will Not Abolish the Duty
on Cereals.

Paris, Aug. 22.—The *Reclair* and other
papers say that official circles regard it
as useless to suppress the import duty on
wheat, and assert that M. Mellé, the
Premier, has made no special declaration
on the subject.

The Temps says he has given the matter
close study, but at the Ministry of Agri-
culture, which does not appear to share the
excitement of the newspapers, there is no
disposition either to suppress or to lower
the duties on cereals.

The *Republique Française* says it learns
that the Government has decided to ac-
cede to the demands for the abolition of
the duties.

KINDNESS COST HIS LIFE.

Italian Laborer Hastening to Pick Up
a Lost Bundle Was Thrown
From a Car.

A good-natured Italian lost his life early
yesterday morning by trying to befriend a
woman passenger on a Boston avenue trol-
ley car, near One Hundred and Seventy-
fifth street. The car was shooting along at
a high rate of speed when the woman
dropped a bundle, which rolled off the
car.

"Stop the car—stop!" she shouted.

"I'll get it," said the Italian, and he
leaped off.

He was thrown upon his head and ren-
dered unconscious. The car stopped and a
policeman was summoned, who called an
ambulance. The injured man was taken to
Fordham Hospital. He never recovered
consciousness, and died yesterday after-
noon.

He was about fifty years old, and was
apparently a laborer. He had 25 cents in
his pocket, but nothing by which he could
be identified.

NO LABELS, NO BONNETS.

Labor Union Insignia Now Put in the
Women's Headgear Made by
Connecticut Firms.

Waterbury, Conn., Aug. 22.—Several of
the big hat manufacturers of the State,
notably those at Danbury, have decided to
place the union label inside of all the
ladies' hats and bonnets that they will in
future make.

These firms have for years been making
union-made men's hats, but never have
placed the insignia of union goods inside
of the ladies' hats. It is stated that the
leaves of all members of labor union or-
ganizations will not wear any new non-
union made goods.

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Sixth Avenue, 20th to 21st

SEA LION GOBBLED A WEE PET DOG.

Its Mistress Had Set It
Down Near the Wa-
ter's Edge.

SMALL BOY SAID "SCAT."

"Bijou" Was Frightened by the
Lad and Tumbled Into
the Pond.

A sea lion devoured a pet pug dog at Glen
Island yesterday to the great dismay of
the dog's owner. It all happened so quick-
ly that those who saw the tragedy could
scarcely realize that the canine's career
had been terminated.

The sea lions are kept in the elliptical
shaped lake near the bridge leading to the
big zoo. Around the lake is a donkey drive
and back of this is a rail fence to keep
the public from the drive. At the edge of
the water is a wire fence to prevent the
lions from escaping.

Shortly before noon thirteen of the sea
lions were basking in the sun on a raft at
the south side of the pond. It was near
feeding time and they were hungry. Some
of them were barking and yawning suffi-
ciently loud to be heard in New Rochelle.
The seals and sea lions prefer fresh fish,
but when hungry are not averse to gulping
down any moving object that looks plump
and juicy, so when a sleek, well fed little
pug dog shot over the embankment the thir-
teen sea lions made a simultaneous dash
into the water.

They immediately sank under the surface
but a moment later one of them appeared
within a foot of the dog. The latter was
swimming toward shore, apparently uncon-
scious of danger. He turned his head
slightly in the direction of the lion. The
big brute was seen to open his mouth.

There was a squeal from the pug; then
both disappeared. A moment later the
head of the sea lion came to the surface,
again, but the dog was not to be seen. An
observant spectator says the lion licked his
chops when he came up, but the press
agent of Glen Island says lions of this
character do not lick their chops.

In a few minutes' time the thirteen sea
lions were back on the raft as if nothing
had happened. While an angry
woman was arguing with a police officer
and a small boy. The woman claimed that
the boy had tossed her pet into the water,
while the lad held he had only "shooed"
the dog to get him off the donkey track,
and that in its fright it had leaped into the
pond.

"Bijou," as the woman called the dog,
did not weigh over a pound. She had
smuggled it on the island under a wrap,
and it had succeeded in escaping the vigil-
ance of the officers until its owner took a
seat near the donkey drive. She put it on
the ground, and a moment later it had
scampered under the rail fence to the road-
way, where it was in danger of being
stepped on by some of the sleepy-looking
donkeys.

The boy said he was in a cart when he
spied Bijou. He jumped out and tried to
catch the dog, but it spied a small opening
in the fence, passed through it, and the
next moment was in the water.

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a situation "Want" in to-morrow's
Journal—16 words 10 cents.

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FURIOUS CYCLISTS BENT ON LYNCHING

Two Hundred Ready to
Wreak Vengeance on a
Reckless Driver.

HAD TO FLEE FROM THEM.

Miller Deliberately Ran Down a
Wheelman and Sent Others
Flying for Safety.

Reckless driving on Staten Island is an
unsafe proceeding. The danger lies in the
fact that it may be resented in a rather
emphatic way. Charles Miller discovered
this yesterday afternoon, when a crowd of
two hundred angry cyclists pursued him
and shouted threats of all sorts after him.
"Lynch him!" they yelled, and had not
Miller been accompanied by a woman serious
consequences might have resulted.

The excitement grew out of Miller's at-
tempt earlier in the afternoon to run down
every cyclist whom he could overtake. It
was not accident, but malicious intent, in
his part. He finally did run down A. B.
Montgomery, and Justice Kuhlman, of
Stapleton, recognized the gravity of the
offense by hearing the case and inflicting
a fine of \$5 within five minutes after the
affair occurred.

Yesterday was an ideal one for cycling,
and the roads were in excellent condition.
Hundreds of men and women looked for-
ward to a pleasant outing on their wheels.
Many decided to take a spin on Staten
Island.

Charles Miller, who afterward gave his
address as No. 142 Market street, this city,
chose driving as his pastime. The young
man was accompanied by a woman of
buxom figure, evidently several years older
than himself.

The oddly assorted couple had a good
horse and managed to get over the road at
an amazing rate of speed. They were evi-
dently enjoying themselves and cared not
for cynical comment. Cyclists began to
take an interest in the matter when Miller
suddenly drove among them and showed
every disposition to run down as many as
possible. He got a wide margin for his
erratic performance, and more than one
timid woman dismounted rather than risk
her life with so reckless a driver in the
vicinity. In spite of the precautions ob-
served by the cyclists, Miller finally suc-
ceeded in running down A. B. Montgomery.
The man was badly bruised, and his wheel
smashed in pieces.

A posse of indignant cyclists managed to
stop Miller's mad career and escorted him
before Justice of the Peace Kuhlman, of
Stapleton. The justice at once imposed a
fine of \$5 and gave Miller a severe lecture.
He regretted he had no authority to do
more than impose a fine.

The whistlers by this time were so
wrought up at the thought of the deliber-
ate attempt by Miller to run them down
that they felt like taking justice into their
own hands. Miller and his companion con-
cluded that it would be wise to return
at once to this city. They did so, but a
crowd of at least two hundred angry
cyclists gathered around their carriage
and escorted them all the way home,
threatening all the time to take the driver
of him. Miller was badly frightened, and
made every attempt to get away. He
could not drive any faster than the wheel-
men permitted, however, for they sur-
rounded the wagon.

It was not a very hilarious trip for the
cyclists, who had promised themselves a
pleasant afternoon on country roads. But

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at least they fancy they have taught one
rebellious driver a wholesome respect for
the rights of those who ride wheels. The
memory of the prompt action of Justice
Kuhlman and the subsequent attention of
the cyclists will probably abide with
young Miller for many days.

GIRL HURT BY TANDEM.

Gussie Galski Run Down and the Hos-
pital Surgeons Fear Her Injuries
May Be Fatal.

A tandem ridden by William and Frank
Whelehan, of No. 124 West Ninety-sixth
street, ran down Gussie Galski in First
avenue on Saturday night and she received in-
juries which may result in her death.

Miss Galski is twenty years old, and lives
at No. 906 First avenue. She was about to
cross First avenue at Fifty-fifth street. The
thoroughfare at the time was crowded with
vehicles. When at last she saw what

seemed to be a favorable opening, she made
a sudden dash for the other side.

On her way over the street she ran
ahead to avoid a truck that was going
north at a moderate speed. She did not
see the tandem and, although the riders
rang their bells, she made no endeavor
to get out of the way. Before the speed
of the machine could be checked the young
woman was struck by the forward wheel.
She fell on her face. The contact also
injured William Whelehan, who was on
the forward seat.

Miss Galski was removed to the Flower
Hospital.

The brothers were placed under arrest.
When their names were called in the York-
ville Police Court yesterday only Frank
appeared. William was said to be dis-
abled at his home. Magistrate Crane held
them in \$500 bail each for examination.

CRANE RAILS AT SCORCHERS.

The Magistrate Says They Are a Great
Menace and Fines Four of Them.

Magistrate Crane in the Yorkville Police

Court yesterday came out in an
equivocal voice on the subject
question. "I will not stand
"I will do the best in my power
stop to this great menace
pedestrians. The scorcher
worst sort of lawbreakers
and he will have to su"